FACET PWFA Program

Accelerator R&D HEPAP Subpanel

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Why Plasmas?



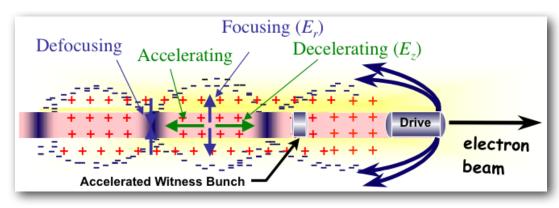
Relativistic plasma wave (electrostatic):

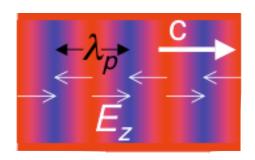
$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\varepsilon_0} \qquad k_p E_z = \frac{\omega_{pe}}{c} E_z = \frac{n_e e}{\varepsilon_0}$$

$$E_z = \left(\frac{m_e c^2}{\varepsilon_0}\right)^{1/2} n_e^{1/2} \approx 100 \sqrt{n_e (cm^{-3})} = \underline{1GV/m}$$

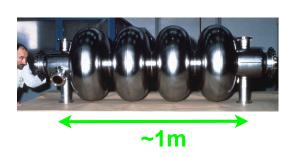
$$n_e = 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

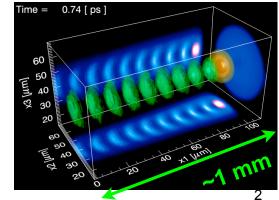
- Plasmas are already ionized, no break down
- Plasma wave can be driven by:
 - Intense laser pulse (LWFA)
 - Short particle bunch (PWFA)





Large Collective Response!

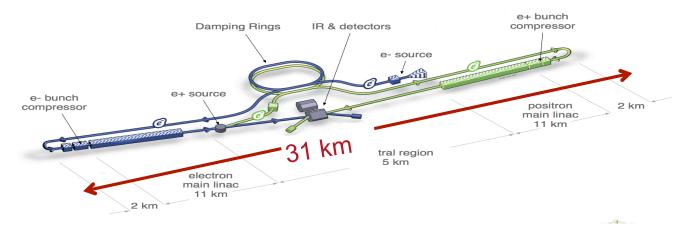




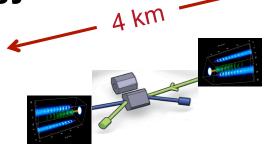
The Scale for a TeV Linear Collider



Today's technology LC – a 35km tunnel:



Plasma Wakefield Technology LC:



The Luminosity Challenge:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{P_b}{E_b} \left(\frac{N}{4\pi \sigma_x \sigma_y} \right)$$

Like Prof. Hansen on Stanford Campus Many Decades Before



~4 MeV — 60 years — ~40 GeV



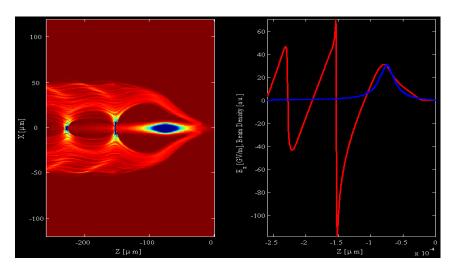


"We have accelerated electrons."

E-167: Energy Doubling with a Plasma Wakefield Accelerator in the FFTB



- Acceleration Gradients of ~50GeV/m (3,000 x SLAC)
 - Doubled energy of 45 GeV
 electrons in 1 meter plasma
- Single Bunch
- Next Step: Particle acceleration to beam acceleration @ FACET

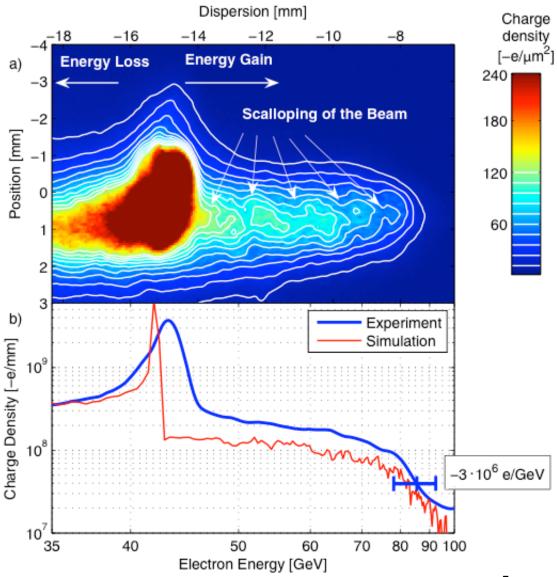






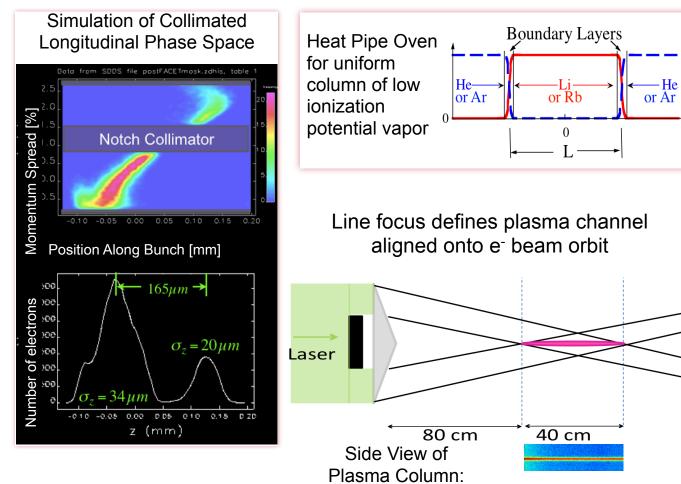


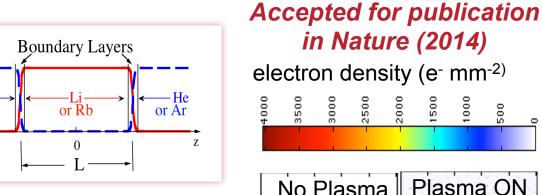
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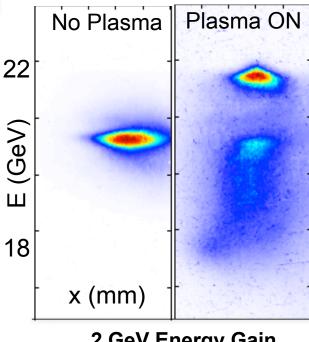


E200: Plasma Wakefield Acceleration @ FACET







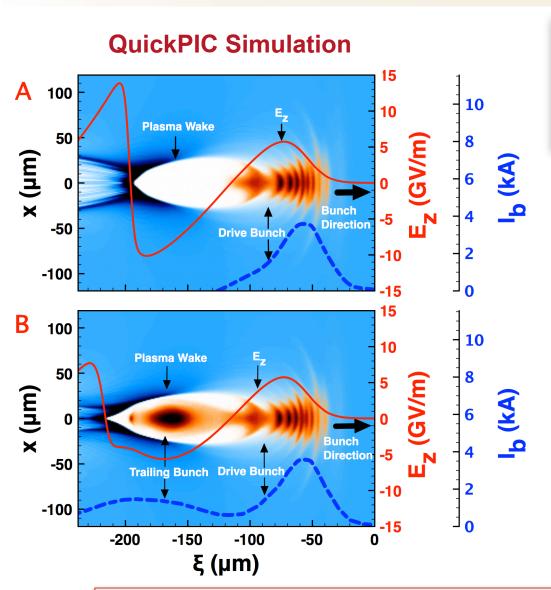


2 GeV Energy Gain ~2% dE/E

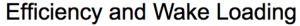
Up to 50% energy transfer from drive to witness was measured

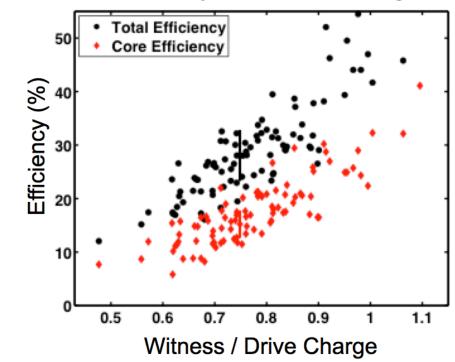
Efficiency correlates with loading of the wake





- More charge in witness beam loads accelerating wake more
- Energy spread anti-correlated

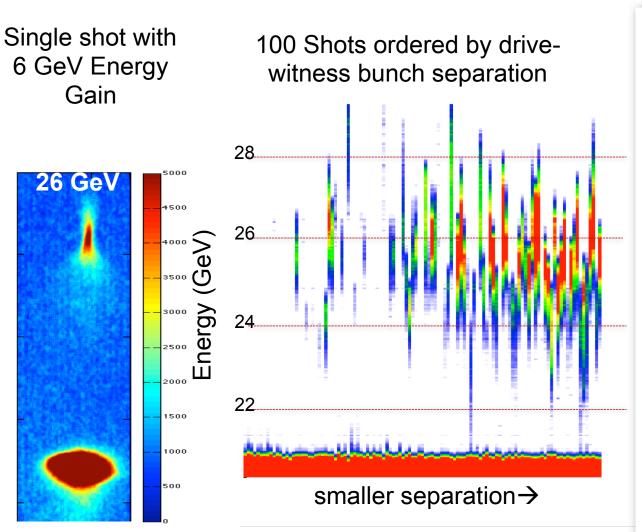




Beam loading is key to efficiency and narrow energy spread

Increased Plasma Length → Increased Energy Gain





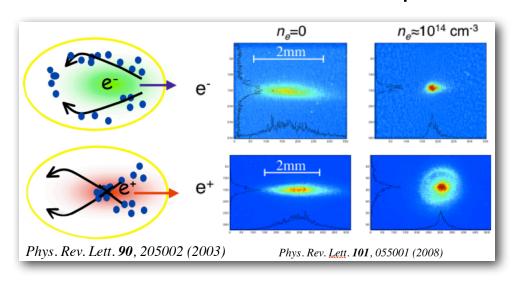
- High density = highest gradients but also tightest tolerances on loading, stability
- Develop tools & techniques to optimize accelerated beam at lower densities first
- Early analysis:
 - ~100pC accelerated
 - O(10%) energy spread
 - Mean energy gain 6 GeV

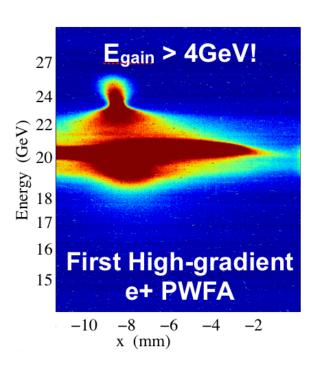
Good agreement between observed and expected energy gain in a longer plasma for several plasma densities

E200: Commissioned Compressed Positrons This Run!



- Focusing and acceleration of positrons has been characterized at low densities at SLAC FFTB
- With high-density, nonlinear wakes there is narrow region that accelerates and focusses positrons





- Expected e+ beam to tear itself apart in high-density plasma
- Results are more forgiving source of active discussions / simulations!

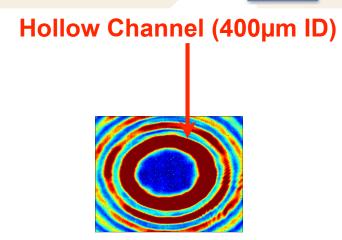
FACET Has the Only Active Plasma Acceleration Program with Positrons in the World

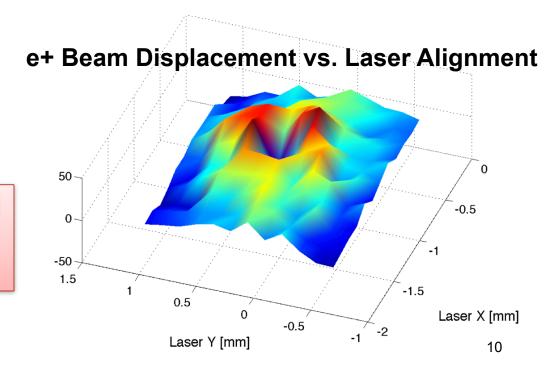
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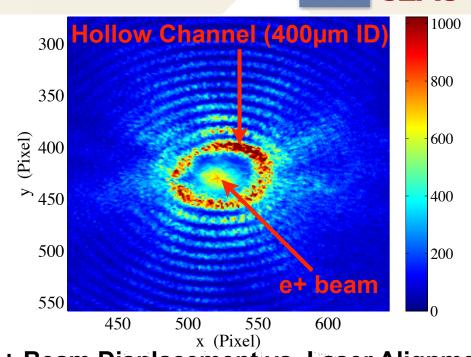




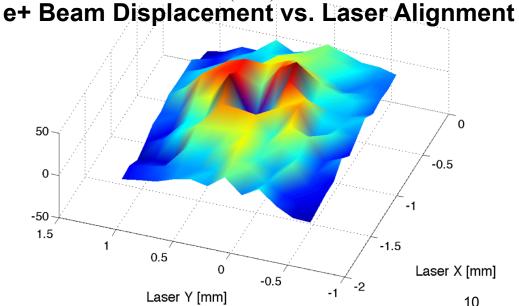
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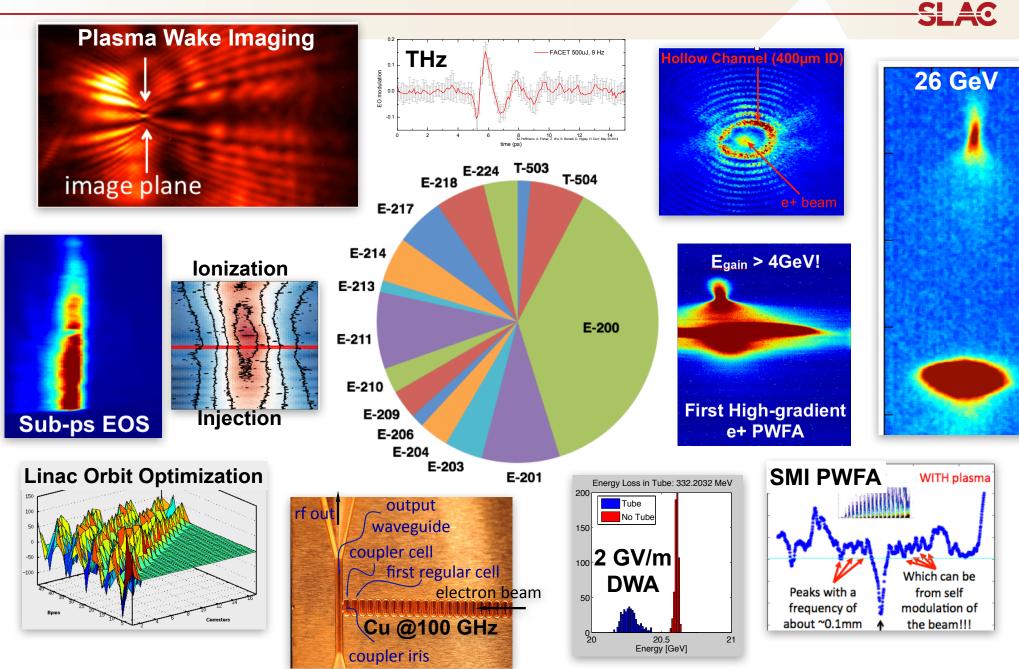
PWFA Program Plan as Shown December 2012



FY	Facet Run	LCLS off	PWFA goal
2013	2/1 - 6/30	8/6 - 9/30	2 beam generation, laser commissioning,2 beams with laser-> mono energetic acceleration (all successful and more)
2014	10/15-12/20 2/1 - 6/30	8/1 -10/30	2 beams with laser-> mono energetic acceleration, positron commissioning, positron PWFA, high brightness PWFA injector (all successful)
2015	10/7 - 12/20	8/1 - 9/30	positron PWFA, one stage, efficiency, high brightness PWFA injector
2016	10/1-3/31	4/1 S0-10 D&D	Finalizing the program, single stage demonstration (energy spread, emittance, efficiency)

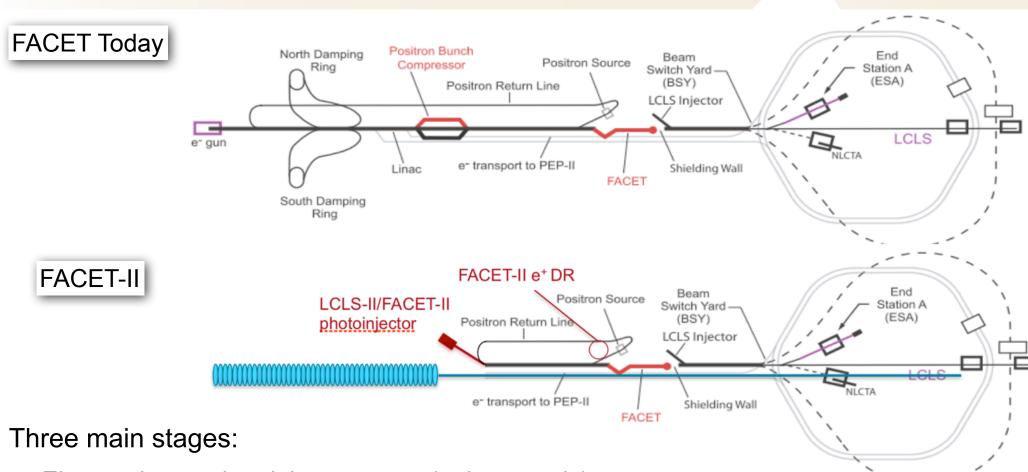
Steady, methodical progress according to our plan

FY14 Run: FACET manages a focused program on PWFA and a variety of user experiments...both benefit



From FACET to FACET-II





- Electron beam photoinjector
- Positron damping ring
- "Sailboat" chicane

- (e- beam only)
- (e+ or e- beams)
- (e+ and e- beams)

FACET-II plan will use 2nd 1/3 of the tunnel

PWFA Goals for FACET-II



FY	FACET-II	PWFA Goals
2017	Construction (Phase 1)	Finalize FACET data analysis, prepare FACET-II experiments
2018-19	Phase 1 (e⁻ only)	Staging studies with witness injector (synchronization, alignment), high transformer ratio (with shaped bunches)
2020-21	Phase 2 (e ⁻ or e ⁺)	e ⁻ or e ⁺ acceleration in e ⁺ wakes (physics of p driven PWFA), high-brightness beam generation, preservation, characterization
2022-23	Phase 3 (e ⁻ and e ⁺)	e ⁺ acceleration in e ⁻ driven wakes, demonstration of e ⁺ acceleration stage
2024-25		Witness bunch acceleration in two PWFA stages (independently driven)

Staging Will Be Required to Reach Very High Energies

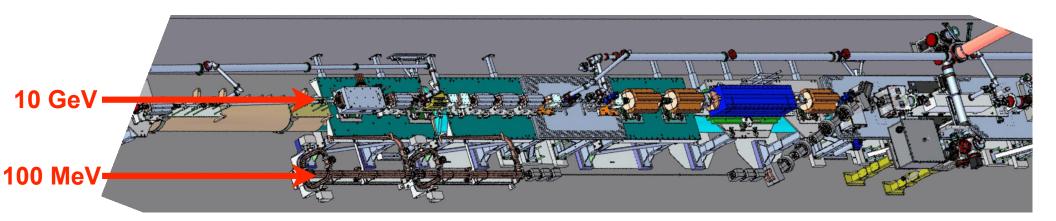


Upstream of stage:

- Inject high-brightness witness bunch from independent source
- Can adjust/tailor individual current profiles
- Investigate tolerances on timing, alignment

Downstream of stage:

- Extract/Dump spent drive beam
- Preserve emittance of accelerated beam



FACET-II has all the tools to investigate staging multiple plasma cells together as desired for very high energy applications

Shaped Current Profiles Maximizes Efficiency, Energy Gain

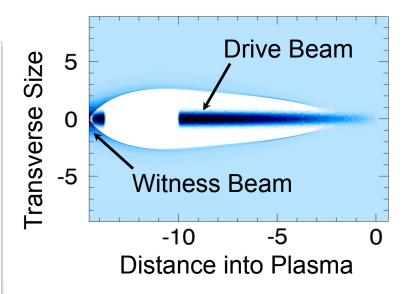
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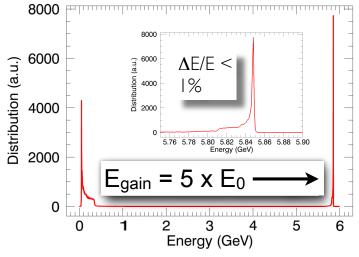
Shaped drive bunch:

- High transformer ratio = larger energy gain per stage
- Most efficient energy extraction

Independently shaped witness bunch:

- Emittance preservation at µm level
- Optimal beam loading for low energy spread, maximum efficiency





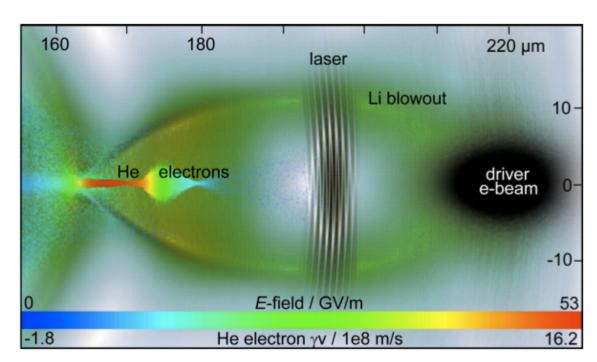
Experiments will optimize performance of single stage electron acceleration

Creating Ultra High-Brightness Beams with PWFA



- Plasma bubble (wake) can act as a high-frequency, high-field, highbrightness electron source
- Photoinjector + 100GeV/m fields in the plasma =
 - Unprecedented emittance (down to 10⁻⁸ m rad)
 - Sub-µm spot size
 - fs pulses

'Trojan Horse Technique'

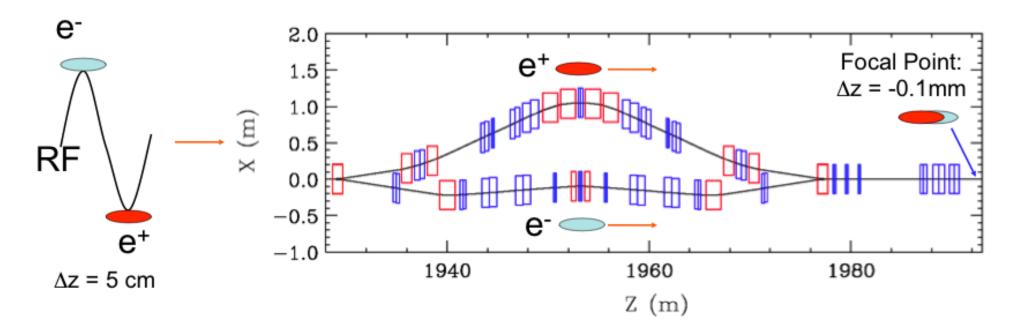


Generate beams with unprecedented brightness for tests of nm emittance preservation and first applications

Sailboat Chicane in FACET-II



- Phase 3 adds second (top) half to existing beamline in S20
- Use 'Sailboat Chicane' to adjust delay of e- and e+ at plasma entrance
- Large beam loading of e⁻ wakes with high charge e⁺ beams

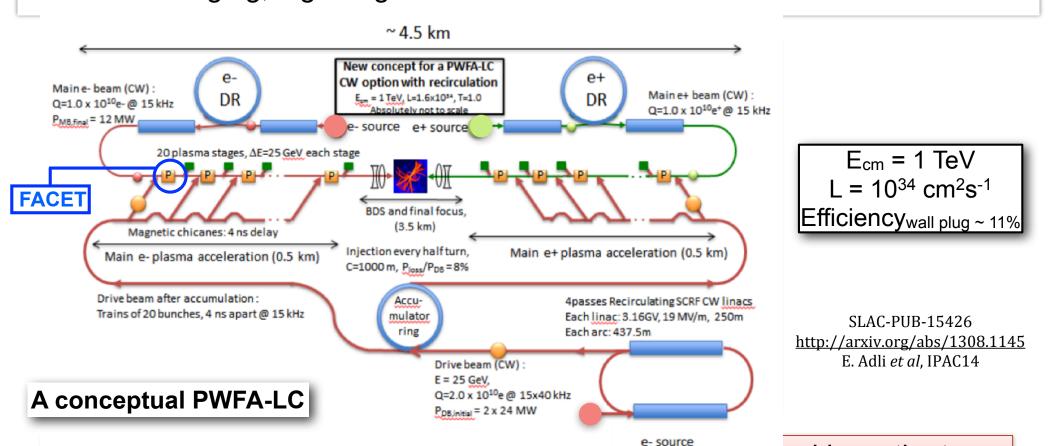


Opens up many new avenues of research: Positron acceleration on electron driven wakes, PD-PWFA, Fast magnetic switching...

FACET in the Middle of the 2nd Phase of PWFA

SLAC

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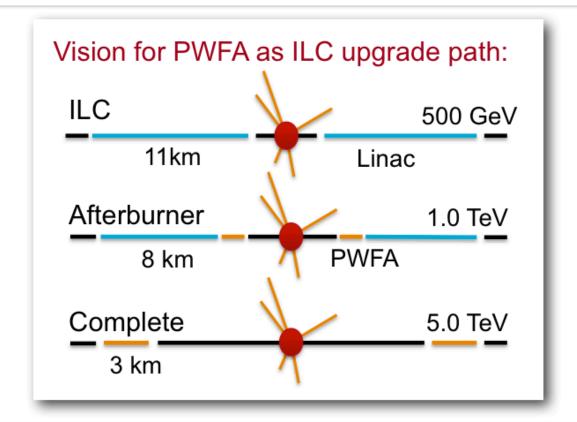


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FACET-II program will optimize positron acceleration and investigate issues of staging multiple plasma cells for very high energy

Summary



Plasma wakefield acceleration presents an enormous opportunity!

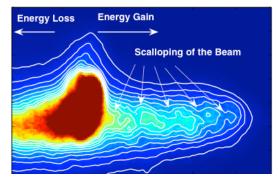
- Success follows naturally from mixture of compelling scientific questions, strong collaborations and powerful test facilities
- SLAC linac continues to play an invaluable role: FFTB, FACET, FACET-II

26 GeV

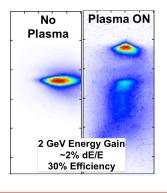
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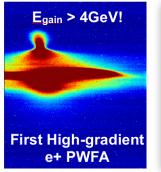
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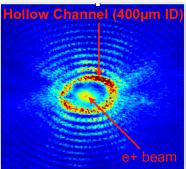


Beams, Efficiency



Positrons





"People who say it cannot be done should not interrupt those who are doing it" – George Bernard Shaw